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DROP OUT RATE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the drop out rate upto 12th standard in the country, State and Union Territory-wise;

(b) the number and percentage, of students who take admission in colleges after completing 12th class and rate of drop out;

(c) the percentage of children studying after primary level in the country till the end of December, 2006, State and Union Territory-wise; and

(d) the steps taken to minimise the drop out rate?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) to (c) : A statement giving State and UT-wise drop out rates at secondary (classes I-X) stage in 2004-05 and transition rates of the children from class V in 2003-04 to class VI in 2004-05, is given at Annexure.Drop out rates of Standard XEE and information in respect of ` students taking admission in the first year of college after completing 12 class and their drop out rates are not being maintained.

(d): A multi-pronged approach has been adopted under SSA for reducing drop-out rates. One set of interventions are towards strengthening of schools and improving the quality of education through improvement in school infrastructure, recruitment of additional teachers, annual school grants, regular training of teachers, regular academic support to teachers etc. In addition, several interventions under SSA also aim at community support flexible schooling for children who are drop-outs, older children or children in difficult circumstances, and special provisions to promote education of girls, children from disadvantaged sections of society or children with special needs.